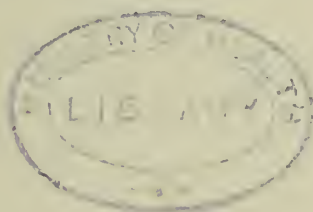


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THE BOROUGH OF BRIDPORT.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE YEAR
1954.



Public Health Office,
32, South Street,
Bridport,
Dorset.

July, 1955.

To His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors,
of the Borough of Bridport.

Mr. Mayor, Aldermen, and Councillors,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report for the year 1954.

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The health of the community has been good. No serious outbreaks of Notifiable Infectious Diseases occurred during the year. Only one new case of Tuberculosis was notified.

I am deeply grateful for the courtesy and consideration extended to me by members of the Council and for the co-operation of my colleagues on the Council staff especially Mr. Armstrong, the Sanitary Inspector.

I am your obedient servant,

A. Armit.

Medical Officer of Health.

PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.

Medical Officer of Health.....Adam Armit, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H..
Sanitary Inspector & Surveyor.....Robert N. Armstrong, M.I.Mun.E.,
M.R.S.I..
Veterinary Surgeon.(Part-time).....K. Marshall, M.R.C.V.S..
Clerk to the Medical Officer.....Miss B.E. Lawrence.

STATISTICS OF THE AREA.

Area in acres.	..	..	..	..	..	..	775.
Registrar General's estimate of population	..	..					6,660
No. of inhabited houses (according to the Rate Books as at end of 1954).	..	..					2,168
Rateable Value.	..	..	..	..	..	..	£52,602
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	..	..	..	..	..	..	£208

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS.

<u>Live Births.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
Total Births.	40	49	Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated
Legitimate.	39	46	resident population - 13.36 Crude.
Illegitimate.	1	3	14.29 Corrected.
			Comparability Factor- 1.07

<u>Still Births.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
Total Still Births-		2	Still Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated
Legitimate.	-	2	resident population - 0.30.

<u>Deaths of Infants under 1 year of Age.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
Total.	-	1	Death Rate all Infants per 1,000 notified
Legitimate	-	1	Births. 11.24

<u>Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of Age.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
Total.	-	1	Death Rate of Infants under 4 weeks per 1,000
Legitimate.	-	1	notified births. 11.24

Deaths from Puerperal Causes.....Nil.
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live and still Births.....Nil.

<u>Deaths at all ages and from all Causes.</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
	47	78	Death Rate per 1,000 estimated resident
			population. - 18.77 Crude.
			14.08 Corrected.
			Comparability Factor 0.75.

Note. Comparability Factor.

This is worked out for each District by the Registrar General. Its object is to level out differences in the age and sex constitution of the populations of the various districts and its use enables us to obtain standardised birth and death rates which are more fairly comparable and more accurate than the crude rates.

CAUSES OF DEATH AT ALL AGES.

Registrar General's Official Returns.

	Males.		Females		Total.
	1-3 Qrt.	4 Qrt.	1-3 Qrt.	4 Qrt.	
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory.	1	-	1	-	2
2. Tuberculosis, other.	-	-	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic Disease.	-	-	-	-	-
4. Diphtheria.	-	-	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough.	-	-	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal infections.	-	-	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis.	-	-	-	-	-
8. Measles.	-	-	-	-	-
9. Other infective & parasitic diseases.	-	-	-	-	-
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach.	2	1	-	1	4
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus.	1	-	-	-	1
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast.	-	-	1	1	2
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus.	-	-	-	1	1
14. Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms.	5	2	3	1	11
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia.	-	-	-	-	-
16. Diabetes.	-	-	1	-	1
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system.	6	2	7	3	18
18. Coronary disease, angina.	9	3	4	2	18
19. Hypertension with heart disease.	1	-	-	-	1
20. Other heart disease.	1	2	23	10	36
21. Other circulatory disease.	-	-	2	3	5
22. Influenza.	-	-	-	-	-
23. Pneumonia.	2	-	2	1	5
24. Bronchitis.	2	1	-	-	3
25. Other diseases of respiratory system.	1	-	-	-	1
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum.	-	-	-	-	-
27. Gastritis, enteritis, and diarrhoea.	-	-	-	-	-
28. Nephritis and nephrosis.	-	-	-	1	1
29. Hyperplasia of prostate.	-	1	-	-	1
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion.	-	-	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations.	-	-	1	-	1
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases.	3	-	6	3	12
33. Motor vehicle accidents.	-	-	-	-	-
34. All other accidents.	-	-	-	-	-
35. Suicide.	1	-	-	-	1
36. Homicide and operations of war.	-	-	-	-	-
Total.	35.	12.	51.	27.	125.

OTHER VITAL STATISTICS.

	1938	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Population.....	5732	6003	6263	6374	5948	6045	6081	6271	6379	6397	6660
Rateable Value.....	£41366	£43927	£44318	£44718	£44388	£46131	£47181	£48167	£49096	£49246	£52602
Estimated Produce of Penny Rate.....	£162	£176	£178	£176	£181	£180	£190	£190	£192	£195	£208
<u>BIRTHS.</u>											
Live Births.....	67	86	107	124	104	97	99	101	100	80	89
Legitimate.....	66	75	101	118	99	92	94	96	95	76	85
Illegitimate.....	1	11	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	4	4
Still Births.....	4	1	3	4	1	-	3	4	3	2	2
Live Birth Rate (crude).....	11.7	14.3	17.1	19.5	17.5	16.05	16.3	16.1	15.7	12.5	13.4
Live Birth Rate (corrected).....	11.7	14.3	17.1	19.5	17.5	16.05	16.3	16.1	15.7	12.5	13.4
Live Birth Rate (Eng. & Wales).....	15.6	16.1	19.2	20.6	17.9	16.7	15.8	15.5	15.3	15.5	15.2
<u>DEATHS.</u>											
Total Deaths.....	87	83	81	89	89	80	108	102	88	129	125
Death Rate (crude).....	11.8	13.8	12.9	14.0	15.0	13.2	17.8	16.3	13.8	20.2	18.8
Death Rate (corrected).....	11.8	13.8	12.9	14.0	15.0	10.1	13.5	12.2	10.3	15.1	14.1
Death Rate (Eng. & Wales).....	11.6	11.4	11.5	12.0	10.8	11.7	11.6	12.5	11.3	11.4	11.3
<u>INFANT MORTALITY.</u>											
Deaths under 1 year.....	7	2	3	3	3	2	4	4	-	2	1
Infantile Death Rate.....	104.5	23.3	28.0	24.2	28.8	20.6	40.4	39.6	-	25	11.3
Infantile Death Rate (Eng. & Wales)....	53	46	43	41	34	32	29.6	29.7	27.6	26.8	25.5
<u>MATERNAL MORTALITY.</u>											
Maternal Deaths.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Maternal Mortality Rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	-	-	-	-
Maternal Mortality Rate (Eng. & Wales).....	2.97	1.79	1.43	1.17	1.02	0.98	0.86	0.79	0.72	0.76	0.69

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water Supplies.

In February, the Council agreed to the proposal of the Joint Water Committee of the Bridport Borough and Bridport Rural District Councils that, after considering the Report of their financial advisors, any further consideration of the proposal to acquire the Bridport Water Works Company's Undertaking should be abandoned.

Approximately 140 houses take their water from outside taps.

Four samples of mains water were taken for bacteriological analyses and all were satisfactory.

I am grateful to the Water Works Company's Engineer for his co-operation in exchanging analyses reports and discussions on water supplies.

Drainage and Sewerage.

As stated in previous Reports, the East Baech is grossly polluted with sewage from the outfall situated in the middle of this beach and through which all sewage from the Borough and parts of the adjoining Rural District empties untreated into the sea.

Sewage treatment at West Bay has been exercising the Council's attention for very many years as they have realised that something had to be done to abate the Nuisance.

In 1938, their Consultants put forward a scheme embracing, the enlargement of the storm overflow to the river, installation of storm pumps, a settlement tank, sludge disposal and chlorination of the effluent.

In 1950, the Consultant's successors produced an alternative scheme which included, (1) screening by a rotating fine screen, (2) disintegration of the screenings, (3) installation of storm pumps, (4) discharging the sewage through a new outfall 400 yards east of the present one. The Ministry agreed with great reluctance to this scheme but the Council did not carry it out, financial reasons being partly responsible.

In 1951, the Consultants, after being asked by the Council for a smaller scheme, produced a Report proposing, (1) installation of a Comminutor, (2) a storm pump to prevent flooding, (3) reconstruction of the storm overflow to the river, (4) the extension of the present outfall by 20 feet. The Ministry approved the scheme but deleted the Comminutor. In 1952, the Council stopped the scheme as they considered the tenders too high.

In 1954, Bridport R.D.C. were planning to install Sewage Works approximately one mile east of West Bay to take the drainage of Burton Bradstock, and the Borough Council approached the Rural Council to see if it would be possible to construct a Joint Sewage Works to take the drainage from Bridport and Burton Bradstock. This proposal was turned down.

The Council then considered installing a Comminutor and sought the Ministry's approval but this approval was not given for obvious reasons.

Thus the problem of the danger from sewage pollution remains and is increasing from year to year.

442 feet of new sewers and drains to Council Houses and other works, 1,050 feet of new drains to private buildings, and 662 feet of new drains to old premises were installed during the year.

Rivers.

No serious pollution occurs in the rivers Brit, Asker, and Simene, during their course through the Borough.

Public Cleansing.

On 1st. June, tipping commenced on the new refuse disposal site at Bothenhampton. One man is employed at the tip to control all the tipping. A new lorry was purchased to assist in refuse collection; one man is employed at the destructor to burn the first load of refuse each day.

Under the Bridport (extension) Order which came into force on 16th. March, five additional premises had to be visited for refuse collection (the Council Houses, built by Bridport Borough Council in the Bridport R.D.C.'s area were already having their dustbins collected by the Borough's refuse lorry, 84 at Court Orchard and 50 at Skilling).

A total of 1,950 loads of refuse were collected from approximately 2,775 dustbins.

During the year, $28\frac{1}{2}$ tons of Tins, $25\frac{1}{2}$ tons of Paper, and $11\frac{1}{2}$ tons of miscellaneous salvage were collected and sold.

Street cleaning was carried out by three full-time sweepers with street orderly carts, and a total of 5.6 miles were swept daily; 1 mile three times weekly; 2.1 miles twice weekly and 3.3 miles once a week.

The Bridport (extension) Order added 0.37 miles of road to the Borough for sweeping purposes at Brewery Hill. The roads in the other areas added to the Borough were already being swept, as they were all on the Council's Housing Estates.

Sanitary Inspections of the Area.

No.	of inspections for all purposes.....	819.
No.	of Informal Notices served.....	27.
No.	of Informal Notices complied with.....	27.
No.	of Statutory Notices served.....	Nil.
No.	of inspections of shops.....	Nil.
"	" " " foodshops.....	41.
"	" " " bakehouses.....	Nil.
"	" " " houses.....	268.
"	" " " drains.....	165.
"	" " " cafes and ice cream premises	20.
"	" " " hotels and guest houses.....	7.
"	" " " factories.....	31.
"	" " " street traders stalls.....	3.
"	" " " miscellaneous matters.....	223.
"	" " " on housing surveys.....	61.

Fouling of Footways by Dogs.

No action was taken under the Byelaws.

Eradication of Vermin.

One house was dealt with during the year.

Petroleum, Spirit, and Carbide.

No.	of licences granted during 1954.....	29.
No.	of inspections.....	9.
No.	of Informal Notices.....	7 Complied with..... 7.

Smoke Abatement.

No action was taken under this heading.

Swimming and Bathing Pools.

There is no indoor swimming bath. Bathing takes place in the sea and in the river mouth, which is dammed back for Water Polo and other aquatic sports.

Rodent Control.

A full-time Rodent Officer is employed for six months from October to March. Using the block control system, he estimates that approximately 200 rats were destroyed.

Pet Animals Act. 1951.

No. of licences issued.....1. No of inspections.....1.

Camping Sites.

Apart from a few sites with a single caravan on each, the main site is at West Bay and is owned by the Council who employ a full-time supervisor and two men during the camping season. Water is supplied to various standpipes near which are concrete tanks for reception of foul water. These tanks are emptied by a tank emptier. There are water closets, hot and cold showers and facilities for gas cooking. A daily collection of refuse is made during August and three times a week for the rest of the season which lasts from April to the end of September. No caravans are allowed to remain on the site after 30th. September. During the year, further road improvements were carried out and an additional water standpipe was fixed together with two further concrete tanks for the reception of foul water. The stream running across the northern end of the field was piped and the area around the old stream leveled off and seeded down.

There were accommodated during the season, 10,190 persons, with 625 caravans, 957 cars, 1,145 tents, 248 motor cycles. 138 beds and 94 chairs were loaned out to the campers.

Schools.

These are regularly inspected. All have water closets, piped water and washing facilities. All are supplied daily with Pasteurised milk. Allington school was closed in February for a few days owing to the water closets being frozen.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Meat Inspection.

As a result of the Bridport (extension) Order the slaughter house at Skilling was transferred to the Borough, and because of the decontrol of meat in July, the Council, in order to carry out their obligations regarding slaughtering facilities in their area, agreed to lease the premises to the Bridport and West Dorset Butchers Association for slaughtering purposes. Meat inspection at the slaughter house was carried on by a Veterinary Surgeon who was employed part-time. Lyme Regis Council paid a part of the cost of inspection as they had no slaughter house in their area.

Carcases Inspected and Condemned.

	Cattle excluding cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs.	Pigs.
Number killed.	647	296	109	2234	2335
Number inspected.	647	296	109	2234	2335
<u>All Diseases except Tuberculosis.</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned.	-	-	2	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	101	21	1	10	8
Percentage affected with disease other than Tuberculosis.	15.6%	7.7%	2.7%	0.4%	6%
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned.	2	2	-	-	1
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	74	2	-	1	18
Percentage affected with Tuberculosis.	11.7%	1.4%	-	0.05%	2%

Milk Supply.

No. of persons registered as distributors at the end of 1954.....7.
Distributors of milk residing within the Borough.....3.
Distributors of milk residing outside the Borough but
retailing within the Borough.....4.
No. of premises registered as a dairy not being a dairy farm.....3.
No. of milk shops inspected.....3. No. of inspections.....3.
No. of Notices served.....Nil.

Milk Sampling.

265 samples were taken for analyses, with the following results:-

Result.	Pasteurised.	T.T.	Non-Designated.	Total.
Passed.	237	5	14	256
Failed.	7	2	-	9

The Milk and Dairies Regulations. 1949.

It was not necessary to invoke these Regulations during the year.

Ice Cream.

No. of premises on the register for the :-
(a) Manufacture of Ice Cream.....1.
(b) Storage and sale of Ice Cream.....41.
No. of Ice Cream premises inspected.....16.
No. of inspections.....20.
No. of Informal Notices.....Nil.

12 samples were taken for analyses and of these, 9 were in Grade 1, 2 in Grade 2, and 1 in Grade 3.

Food Premises by type.

Ice Cream and fruit drinks.....	1.
" " general grocery and provisions.....	23.
" " Cafe, Snack Bar, & Dairy.....	3.
" " Cafe and Snack Bar.....	8.
" " Cakeshop & confectionery.....	1.
" " and confectionery.....	3.
" " Fishmonger and Greengrocer.....	1.
" " and Newsagent.....	1.
" " Greengrocer and general provisions.....	1.
Butchers and meat shops.....	6.
Cake and confectionery.....	5.
Bakehouses and shops.....	4.
General grocery and provision shops.....	11.
Cafes and Restaurants.....	4.
Greengrocers.....	4.
Fishmonger and Greengrocer.....	1.
Fish and Chip shops with Restaurants.....	4.

Food Premises Registered.

For sale or storage of Ice Cream.....	42.
Preparation or manufacture of sausages, or potted, pressed, pickled, or preserved food intended for sale.....	6.
Dairies registered under Milk and Dairies Regulations 1949.....	3.

Condemned Food.

During the year, the following foodstuffs were condemned as being unfit for human consumption :-

Beef.....	365 lbs.	Bacon.....	5 lbs.
Meat.....	102 tins.	Fish.....	24 tins.
Soup.....	43 "	Milk.....	36 "
Vegetables.....	174 "	Fruit.....	277 "
Jam.....	1 tin.		

Byelaws under Section 15 of the Food and Drugs Act. 1938.

Following complaints of litter being left behind by stall-holders, an informal notice was sent to one, drawing his attention to the conditions of letting of stall sites.

Clean Food Campaign.

No action was taken under this heading.

HOUSING.

During the year, 39 families were re-housed in new houses, 28 by the Council and 11 by Private Enterprise. The demand for houses remains as great as in the previous year, there being approximately 225 on the waiting list.

Bridport (extension) Order.

Under this Order which became operative on 16.3.54., Bridport Borough gained from the Bridport Rural District, 74 acres and 139 houses, 134 of these (50 at Skilling, 84 at Court Orchard) having been built by the Borough Council.

Inspection of Dwelling Houses.

No. inspected for housing defects.....28. No. of inspections.....36.
No. found in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as
to be unfit for human habitation.....Nil.
No. rendered fit after Informal Action by Local Authority..... 14.

Action Under Statutory Powers.

Public Health Act. 1936.

No. of Statutory Notices served.....Nil.

Housing Act. 1936. Sections 9, 10. and 16.

No. of Statutory Notices served.....Nil.

Housing Act. 1936. Sections 11 and 12.

No. of Demolition Orders made.....Nil.
No. of Closing Orders.....Nil.
No. Closed by Informal Action (2,3,4,5, Dublin Passage) 4.

Re-Housing.

No. of premises converted into Flats.....Nil.
No. of New Houses completed by :-
(a) Local Authority..... 28.
(b) Other Bodies..... 11.
No. of families in new houses.....39. No. of persons (approx),....117,
No. of new houses in course of construction by :-
(a) Local Authority.....10.)..... 13.
(b) Other Bodies..... 3.)

Post War Houses.

Completed by Local Authority :-

(a) Houses.....190.).....286.
(b) Flats..... 96.)

Completed by Other Bodies :- Houses..... 85 85.

No. of houses owned by Local Authority :-

Council built houses....489)585.
Other Dwellings..... 96)

(11 houses at West Bay were bought in 1954)

Approximate number of houses in the area.....2168.

Housing Survey.

A total number of 35 houses were surveyed in detail during the year, at West Allington, Magdalen Lane and Castle Square.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS
AND OTHER DISEASES.

There were no epidemics of Notifiable Infectious Diseases during the year.

There were no cases of Food Poisoning notified.

Close co-operation is maintained between Head Teachers, the School Nurse, and the Medical Officer of Health regarding the control of Infectious Diseases in schools. The following cases were notified from the schools:- Scarlet Fever 2, Whooping Cough 2, Chicken Pox 31, Impetigo 1.

Diphtheria Immunisation.

This is the responsibility of the County Council. When not performed by the child's own Doctor, Immunisation is given at the Child Welfare Centre. The following table shows the number of children who have been immunised up to 31.12.54.

0 - 4 years.						5 - 14 years.			
Under 1	1	2	3	4	Total 0 - 4	5 - 9	10 - 14	Total 5 - 14	Total 0 - 14
9	81	89	86	77	342	513	432	945	1287

B.C.G. Vaccination against Tuberculosis.

The County Council commenced in July, testing children aged 13 years and over, and where necessary vaccinating them with B.C.G. vaccine against Tuberculosis.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT. 1948.
Section 47, Removal of Persons in need of Care and
Attention to Suitable Premises.

There were no cases during the year where it was necessary to proceed under the provisions of this Section of the Act.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING 1954.

DISEASES.	Total.	Under 1 year.	1-2	3-4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25-44	45-64	65 & over.
Erysipelas.....	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Pneumonia.....	11	-	-	1	3	1	-	2	1	3
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Scarlet Fever.....	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Measles.....	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough.....	11	1	1	4	3	-	-	2	-	-
Totals.	30	1	1	6	9	1	1	4	3	4

QUARTERLY NOTIFICATIONS.

DISEASES.	Total.	1st. Quarter.	2nd. Quarter.	3rd. Quarter.	4th. Quarter.
Erysipelas.....	2	1	-	-	1
Pneumonia.....	11	5	1	4	1
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	1	-	-	-	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	1	-	1	-	-
Scarlet Fever.....	2	-	-	-	2
Measles.....	2	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough.....	11	2	8	1	-
Totals.	30	8	10	7	5

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING 1938 - 1954.

DISEASES.	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Diphtheria.....	1	2	16	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas.....	3	3	1	12	3	6	3	3	6	2	2	5	3	2	3	-	2
Scarlet Fever.....	3	4	6	11	9	10	5	3	5	11	4	9	16	2	1	16	2
Enteric Fever. (Inc. Typhoid)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia.....	1	1	-	3	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	2	1	1
Cerebro-Spinal Fever.....	-	-	7	2	-	-	5	-	2	3	2	-	1	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis.....	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	6	-	-	3	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.....	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis Lethargica.....	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia.....	7	6	3	4	4	1	-	1	1	-	1	4	2	14	5	10	11
Pulmonary Tuberculosis.....	7	8	-	7	8	2	6	5	4	8	5	-	2	6	1	6	1
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis...	2	1	-	5	2	4	2	1	1	3	1	1	1	2	-	3	-
Measles.....	Unknown	Unknown	129	91	15	17	12	185	5	2	85	3	162	45	3	5	2
Whooping Cough.....	Unknown	Unknown	1	74	6	2	17	23	1	36	14	21	22	25	64	39	11
Totals.	24	25	163	210	52	43	52	222	25	66	114	44	216	98	79	83	30

TUBERCULOSIS.

Age Periods.	New Cases notified during 1954.				Deaths during 1954.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0- 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5-14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15-24	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
25-34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35-44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45-54	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 & over.	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Total	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-

New Cases and Mortality.								
1938 - 1954								
	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1938.	4	3	-	2	2	1	-	-
1939.	5	3	-	1	2	1	-	-
1940.	4	3	1	1	3	1	-	1
1941.	2	3	1	4	2	3	-	1
1942.	7	3	1	1	1	2	-	1
1943.	-	2	2	2	2	3	-	1
1944.	6	2	2	-	-	1	1	-
1945.	4	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
1946.	4	-	1	-	-	-	1	1
1947.	4	4	2	1	2	-	1	-
1948.	2	3	-	1	-	2	-	1
1949.	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	-
1950.	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
1951.	3	3	1	1	1	-	-	-
1952.	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
1953.	4	2	2	1	1	-	-	-
1954.	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-

	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
Total cases on Register at end of 1953	17	12	5	4
New cases notified during 1954.	1	-	-	-
Cases from other areas who have come to live in the District.	-	-	-	-
Removals from District into other areas.	3	-	1	-
Removed from Register as Non-Tubercular.	-	-	-	-
Removed from Register - Cured.	2	1	-	1
Deaths during 1954.	1	1	-	-
Total on Register at end of 1954.	12	10	4	3

FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 & 1948.

Part 1 of the Act.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors.)

Premises.	Number on Register.	Number of Inspections	Written Notices.	Offences prosecuted.
(1) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	110	29	-	-
(11) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	2	2	-	-
(111) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises).	-	-	-	-
Total.	112	31	-	-

2. CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

Particulars.	Number of cases in which defects were found.				Number of cases in which Prosecutions were instituted.
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector.	Referred By H.M. Inspector.	
Want of cleanliness.	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding.	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature.	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation.	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors.	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences.					
(a) Insufficient.	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective.	4	4	-	3	-
(c) Not separate for sexes.	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork).	-	-	-	-	-
Total.	4	4	-	3	-

Part V111 of the Act.

OUTWORK.
(Sections 110 & 111)

	Section 110			Section 111		
Nature of work.	No. of Out-workers in Aug list required by Sec. 110 (1) (c).	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council.	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists.	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises.	Notices Served.	Prosecutions.
Nets, other than wire nets.	330	-	-	-	-	-
Wearing Making apparel)	6	-	-	-	-	-
Total.	336	-	-	-	-	-

BRIDPORT PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY.

Section I - Staff.≠

TABLE A.

NO CHANGE.

Section II - Amount of shipping entering the district during the year.

TABLE B.

Ships from.	Number.	Tonnage.	Number Inspected		Number of ships reported as having or having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board.
			By the M.O.H.	By the S.I.	
Foreign Ports.	8	2347	4	Nil	Nil
Coastwise.	32	9211	4	Nil	Nil
Total.	40	11558	8	Nil	Nil

Section III - Character of shipping and trade during the year.

TABLE C.

Passenger Traffic	(	Number of passengers INWARDS - Nil.
	)	Number of passengers OUTWARDS- Nil.
Cargo Traffic.	(	Principal IMPORTS - Timber.
	)	Principal EXPORTS - Gravel.

Principal Ports from which ships arrive - Kalmar, Ostend, Rouen, Bruges, Bolster, Rauma, Ursviken, Hamina, Sorns, Hunnebostrand.

Section IV - Inland Barge Traffic - Nil.

Section V - Water Supply. ≠ NO CHANGE.

Section VI - Public Health (Ships) Regulations 1952. ≠ NO CHANGE.

Section VII - Smallpox.

(1). Name of Isolation Hospital to which Smallpox cases are sent from the district:

Crabwood Smallpox Hospital, Nr. Winchester, Hants.

(2). Arrangements for transport of such cases to that Hospital:

Dorset County Council Ambulance Service.

(3). Name of Smallpox Consultants available:

Dr. E.J. Gordon Wallace, and Dr. P. Hughes, of Weymouth, and Dr. C. Hollins of Dorchester.

(4). Facilities for laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox.

Suspected material is sent to : Dr. F.O. McCallum, Virus Reference Laboratory, Central Public Health Laboratory, Colindale, London, N.W.9
Telephone Number - Colindale 6041.

Section Vlll - Venereal Disease. * - NO CHANGE.

Section lX - Cases of Notifiable and other Infectious Disease on ships.
TABLE D.

Nil.

Section X - Observations of the occurrence of Malaria in ships - Nil.

Section Xl - Measures taken against ships infected with or suspected for Plague. - Nil.

Section Xll - Measures against rodents in ships from foreign ports.

- (1) Routine inspection in ships from foreign ports is made.
- (2) Arrangements for bacteriological or pathological examination of rodents are made with the County Laboratory, Dorchester. No rats were sent during the year to the Laboratory.
- (3) The Rodent Officer could deal with small infestations.

TABLE E.

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.

Category.	Number
Black rats.....	Nil.
Brown rats.....	Nil.
Species not known.....	Nil.
Sent for examination.....	Nil.
Infected with Plague.....	Nil.

TABLE F.

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year for ships from foreign ports - Nil.

Section Xlll - Inspection of ships for nuisances.

TABLE G.

Inspection and Notices.

Nature and number of Inspections.		Notices served.		Result of serving Notices
		Statutory Notices.	Other Notices.	
British	4	Nil	Nil	-
Foreign	4	Nil	Nil	-
Total.	8	Nil	Nil	-

Section XlV - Public Health (Shell-fish) Regulations 1934 and 1948. *

NO CHANGE.

Section XV - Medical Inspection of Aliens. * - NO CHANGE.

Section Xvl - Miscellaneous. * - NO CHANGE.

In Form Port 20, dated October, 1952, the Ministry of Health states that the information required by Sections l, V, Vl, Vlll, XlV, XV, and Xvl, (all marked with an asterisk) which has been given in an earlier Report and has not since changed, need not be repeated every year. A recapitulation of all the information should be made in the Report for the years 1952 and 1955 and thereafter quinquennially. For the intermediate years, only the changes which have occurred during the year covered by the Report need be mentioned in those sections; if there is no change, "NO CHANGE" should be entered.

